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BRYAN'S CHANCES.

Most people in Hawaii receive and read only Republican papers or such journals which have been purchased by the Republican literary bureau.

Judging from the statements published in such papers which are controlled and inspired by Republican political committees, everybody must believe that the election of McKinley is an assured fact and that Bryan's name was mud. It is not newspapers, however, which control a presidential election. To-day it is not even money which can swing the masses. It is not speech making and gas; bulldozing and boycotting which will decide the fate of the United States on the 4th of November.

The great "bosses" from mercantile concerns, from factories, from farms and docks have carried their laborers to Canton by the thousands. Every man has had a McKinley badge on his coat. Every delegation has had a spokesman who, under the eyes of the bosses, expressed the allegiance of the workingmen to McKinley. How many of them had the name of the representative of capital in their hearts? How many more the picture of Bryan on their heart even if they obediently carried McKinley's picture on the lapel of their coats to please the bosses?

The result of the election only can tell. The secret ballot will possibly prove to the monopolists and capitalists that the days have gone by when money, threats and promises can carry the votes of the United States. We do not care to enter into the merits of the causes represented by the two candidates. We only submit that our contemporaries are wrong when they claim that McKinley has a walk-over. The chances of Bryan, the man who espouses the cause of labor against capital have never appeared better than they were at the latest independent advice.

As far as Hawaii is concerned the election of either candidate will be of no direct importance. Whether McKinley or Bryan sits in the presidential chair in the White House, the annexation of the Hawaiian Islands, against the expressed will of the Hawaiian people, will remain impossible. The United States which believe that their gunboats can "force" the Dardanelles, may find an easier conquest in Hawaii than among the Turks. Voluntarily the Hawaiians will never surrender their independence and national integrity. Not even at the bidding of Mr. Dole and his funny republic.

TOPICS OF THE DAY.

It puzzles THE INDEPENDENT to know how prostitutes can be considered Government patients in connection with the Queen's Hospital. They surely are not so closely connected with Government officials as to be on the staff pay roll. Mr. Schaefer appears to have the better part of the fight so far as principle is concerned.

On our outside pages we report an incident which has recently occurred in San Francisco which deserves consideration by all interested in Hawaii's future welfare. That by the will of a foreign power its subjects residing within the borders of a friendly nation, can without the permission of that nation, violate its laws and carry out its own edicts irrespective of the laws of the United States and the State of California is something amazing in these days of law and order. The action is fraught with menace. The peaceable Chinese suddenly becoming warlike at the command of their country's representative is not quite a surprise but it is a warning. Fortunately, for the present at least, the Chinese in Hawaii belong to a different and a higher plane than those of California, especially among the mercantile classes, many of whom have allied themselves with the Hawaiian race and reared families an honor to themselves and the country, but the time might arrive when the conditions might change. Even our Government itself might be upset by orders from the officials who control our quiet, and gentlemanly friend Mr. Goo Kim.

The Advertiser is indulging in the publication of a lot of idiotic rumors. We are told by the morning paper that the Hawaiian National Band will return by the Australia, due here on Monday morning. It is very doubtful whether the boys will be ready and able to take that steamer. The Advertiser's informant then states that Princess Kaiulani will also return by the Australia. As the Princess at latest advice was in Scotland the Australia rumor must naturally be false. The statement that \$2500 have been raised to give the returning band boys a grand luan is the most absurd of the Advertiser reports. That the band boys will be welcomed home upon their arrival by their relations and friends, goes without saying. That a large amount of money is to be spent in celebrating their advent is simply a streak of imaginative fancy on the part of the morning organ which at all times is trying to boom the "good" times in Hawaii when everybody else feels the "hard" times. The members of the National Band will find a hearty welcome here, if they return as good and law abiding citizens. Their merits as musicians of considerable ability will always be acknowledged by their compatriots. There will be no "politics" connected with the return of the National Band.

THE INDEPENDENT published a correspondence yesterday in which an "Indignant Father," objects to politics in public schools. His complaint was based upon the action of a certain principal of a Government school who insisted in taking a "vote" among the pupils in regard to the presidential candidates in the United States. We have received several other communications from other school districts. And we now respectfully ask the Board of Education whether another question has been added to the census blank, and whether it has been found desirable to find out who (or the school children and their "pa") support Bryan or McKinley. Give us Mr. Dole's funny little republic for "ways that are dark and tricks that are vain." And it will not even find an equal among the heathen Chinese for its "peculiarity."

The Honolulu correspondence to the San Francisco Chronicle devotes considerable space to the late Joseph Nawahi. The correspondent, who

is well-known here, throws a slur on the deceased patriot, when he says that Nawahi was ungrateful to his benefactors the missionaries. It is true that the late Nawahi received his first education in the Lyman family. We venture to state that he paid well through manual labor for the benefits granted to him by the missionaries, who arrived here on public subscription to save souls, and who always were ready to feather their own nests and take the utmost advantages possible of their heathen pupils. The late Nawahi was a staunch supporter of the "missionary" faction in Hawaii until he realized the indisputable fact that the Reform Party, the political term of the missionaries, proposed to show the cloven hoof and to control the Government by suppressing the Hawaiians. Realizing the fact, Nawahi stood by his countrymen and on their behalf he accused his quondam friends of ingratitude to their benefactors, the Aliis of Hawaii. History will judge who was right and wrong, and the patriotism and "gratitude" of Nawahi and the men who now rail against the alleged ingratitude of the dead patriot will be determined and compared by unbiased men at a future date. When the alleged benefactors of Nawahi are forgotten, his memory will be fresh in Hawaii.

Our morning contemporary is perfectly correct in saying that there should be but one law for the rich and the poor, and that the "kleptomania" of a millionaire should be regarded in the same light as that of the thief by a poor Irish woman. Our friend from Main will find that the justice of England will not be influenced by wealth, no matter how many thousands of dollars are expended for ex parte evidence. The amount of bail fixed is an indication of a fair trial without favor. They do not practice the brokerage system in the English Courts of Law. There the same law applies for the rich as well as the poor.

The Parade Last Night.

Minister Cooper was honored last evening and the public pleased with the review-parade in his honor. Even the clerk of the weather was so kindly considerate as to order old Pluvius to keep the top on his watering pot until after the gallant soldier boys had returned to their quarters, and the attendant crowds had dispersed.

It must be confessed that Col. McLean has his soldier boys in good fettle, and that they looked like fighters if called upon to test their mettle. In one or two of the companies we should like to see the officers have a little more self-confidence in themselves and their tactics, so as to impart that absolutely necessary confidence of the officers to the men. That will come by degrees. We are not criticising details but will quote from a military man who stood by our side: "You have done marvellously well for the short time you have been at it. You must have a d—d good colonel and two or three smart officers among you."

He was informed that we had a few experienced men in our ranks.

Our friend, however, was rather amused and astonished to see the Hawaiian flag carried, and the Ministerial inspection made to the strains of the Star Spangled Banner. "What, already annexed?" quoth he. "No," was the reply, "that is Berger's world-famous 'Republic of Hawaii' march, and you see how gloriously the band boys enjoy it." "Well," said he, "as I am off by the steamer, I will wait for your national anthem." He waited, but "Hawaii Pono!" was not played. He wearied and went, saying, "Curious country, capital soldiers but peculiarly inconsistent in playing the air of a foreign country and forgetting your own. Perhaps 'Aloha Oe' will soon be forgotten for 'kiss me quick,' but I hope not." After further compliments to the First Regiment he got out of the rain.

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Honolulu, Oct. 23, 1896.

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